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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

Weston et al.

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For:

MALE-STERILE BRASSICA PLANTS AND METHOD FOR

**PRODUCING SAME** 

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the August 22, 2002 Office Action, which set a three month period for response, i.e., up to and including November 22, 2002.

## **AMENDMENT**

Please amend the claims without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of the subject matter, and with out any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

(Twice Amended) A method for identifying elite event MS-B2 in a transgenic Brassica plant, or cell or tissue thereof, or trangenic Brassica plant material, which method comprises detection of a MS-B2 specific region with a specific primer or probe which

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